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**“The roots to grow  
and the wings to fly”**

## Headteacher’s Message

I am delighted to report that last week the Year 4s did an excellent job completing their Multiplication Checks. It was brilliant to see them answering with such confidence and feeling so proud of their achievements. We will receive their scores into school in due course and they will be shared with parents on the end of year reports.

Last week Miss Ungerechts and myself took class 3 to High Adventure in Cowling (between Skipton and Keighley) for three adventure-packed days away. The children got the opportunity to go on a ‘weasling’ walk (squeezing through gaps between rocks), try climbing, abseiling, orienteering, team building and have a go at archery, canoeing and circus skills. Throughout the entire time we were away we were very impressed with their outstanding behaviour. They were polite, kind and very supportive of each other, showing incredible bravery and resilience when pushing themselves to face challenges that they had never faced before. They even slept well! We were so very proud of them and the centre manager and the coach driver both commented on how fantastic they had been. A great week and some fantastic memories made.

## What have we been learning this week?

### EYFS

This week in EYFS we have started our new topic on “Let’s go on an adventure”. We have been learning about Under the Sea and have enjoyed reading and looking at the book “Hooray for Fish”. We have written descriptions of different fish and Mrs Chaplin has had to guess which fish we are describing. In maths we have continued our work on sharing

### Class 1

What a great start to the Summer Class 1 have had. Everyone is so excited about their learning and working hard. We have begun the term thinking about our world and answering the big question “How should we care for our World and others?”. We are reading the book 10 Things we can do to help our World and have thought of our own 5 things we can do to help at home. The children are learning about questions, sentences and statements and will be writing their own books. Everyone is enjoying learning more about the oceans and so far we have learned about the sunlight zone, the twilight zone and the midnight zone.

### Class 2

In Class 2 this week we have worked really hard. In English we have begun reading our new text, 'Bill's new Frock' by Anne Fine. We have looked in depth at the character of Bill and how his day has begun. In History we had a great time as Vikings and Anglo Saxons 'farming' and 'fishing' and trading. Looking at how the adverse weather in Scandinavia drove some Vikings to England. In PSHE we talked about our future and any worries we may have and in PE we have begun to think about events for sports day.

### Class 3

Class 3 have had an incredible week this week! They have all represented our school wonderfully and have challenged themselves to complete a variety of fun but daring activities. We have done everything from rock scrambling on walks, to canoeing, rock climbing and even more! I am sure the children will be excited to share all of their experiences with you at home! The children from class 3 that have stayed at school have worked extremely hard completing their work and even some prop making for our play! Well done everyone.



## Ribbon awards

# Celebrating our Success

## The Values Award

<b>EYFS</b>	This week the ribbon goes to someone who is really trying hard in all their work. They are making good progress in reading and writing – well done Polly!
<b>Class 1</b>	The Ribbon for Class 1 this week goes to Tomas. Tomas has been showing super concentration when completing his work and a great enthusiasm for learning during lessons. Keep it up Tomas.
<b>Class 2</b>	The ribbon in class 2 this week goes to Will. Will is always a thoughtful, kind and caring person and this week he has been incredibly helpful around the classroom and as always, has worked to a high level. Well done Will.
<b>Class 3</b>	The ribbon this week is going to Layla for her incredible efforts in maths this week! Mrs Burgess has been blown away with your hard work and determination!



Molly nominated Elodie for perseverance because she kept on running in the PE lesson even though she had hurt her ankle. Well done Elodie!

## Attendance last week

EYFS	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3
99%	97%	93%	96%

## Term Time Holidays

Recently we have had a large number of applications into the office for term time holidays. Any day missed from school is detrimental to your child's education. The Local Authority guidance is very clear that headteachers are not expected to class any term time holiday as exceptional.

## Friday Celebration Assembly Dates

Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Class 1 and class 3
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	School closed for training day – no celebration assembly
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS and class 2
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day – no celebration assembly unless Sports cancelled for wet weather

The gate at the KS2 side of school will open at 2.45 for parents and carers to make their way into the hall.

**We look forward to welcoming you.**

## Safeguarding

Attached to this newsletter is an online safety advice sheet produced by the National College. This week is advice about TikTok.

### Dogs

It has been reported to us that our carpark is being used to walk dogs during the school day and at other times when the gates have not been locked.

**Please do not walk your dog on school property, even when children are in class or not on site.**

Attached is a fact sheet about safety around dogs produced by the Child Accident Prevention Trust for their Safeguarding week, which is later this month.

## Book Request

Over the last few weeks we have been working hard to revamp our library. We have realised that we are lacking **good quality, good condition and up to date children's poetry books**. Any donations would be gratefully accepted. Please bring to the school office.

## Feast activities

Please look out in your emails this week for information about holiday Feast activities and meals - free to some families.

## Year 1 Phonics Check

The children in year 1 are doing their phonics check this week. Please see the attached leaflet to find out more. Results will be shared on the end of year reports.



**DON'T FORGET –  
Deadline 12<sup>th</sup> June**

We have organised a clothes & shoe collection with Bag2School to raise funds for much needed storage in the breakout classroom next to Class 1 and the Dining Hall. By getting involved in our **Bag2School** collection, you have an opportunity to sort through your cupboards and wardrobes and donate unwanted textiles in the bag provided – this can include adults' and children's clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys, (please refer to <https://bag2school.com> for full details).

Bags will be collected on **12<sup>th</sup> June**. Please see posters around school or ask at the office for more details.



We would just like to say a huge thanks to everyone for their spare change fundraising. Thanks to you we now have some very smart new book box and seating units in our library. The children will really enjoy using them to choose and enjoy a good book. With the constant pressure on school budgets it is increasingly difficult to cover 'extras' like this, so any money that the PTA raises really makes a difference. Thank you!

## Summer dates for your diary



<b>June 2024</b>	
<b>Mon 10<sup>th</sup> - Fri 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check week
<b>Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June</b>	SCHOOL CLOSED - Staff Training Day
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> June 4pm</b>	Reception new starters meeting
<b>Mon 24<sup>th</sup> &amp; Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Outwood Academy Easingwold Year 6 Transition days
<b>Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June 2pm &amp; 6pm</b>	Class 3 Production of Oliver
<b>Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> &amp; Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June</b>	Year 6 Bikeability
<b>July 2024</b>	
<b>Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Boroughbridge High School Year 6 Transition days
<b>Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Reception new starters transition morning
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July morning</b>	Ripon Cathedral Year 6 Leavers Service
<b>Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July afternoon</b>	Sports Day (no celebration assembly)
<b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup>- Fri 12<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Thirsk High School Year 6 Transition days
<b>Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July</b>	Reception new starters transition morning
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup> July</b>	End of Year School Reports sent home Alternative Sports Day date
<b>Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July morning</b>	Leavers Assembly
<b>Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July 2.30pm</b>	School closes for Summer (no After School Club, celebration assembly at 2.10)